

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 870

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A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Lennon Brooks, 2008 Valedictorian of Portland High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Lennon Brooks is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2008 graduating class at Portland High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Mr. Brooks has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in his remarkable high school career, Lennon has earned an exemplary 3.8 grade point average; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his status as a stellar scholar, Mr. Brooks has been a valuable participant in his school's activities and his community's affairs as a member of the SCOPE board and the National Honor Society, as a delegate to American Legion Boys State, and as the goalkeeper on the school soccer team; and

WHEREAS, while not studying, Lennon Brooks has also prepared himself for the challenges of the adult world by working at Cracker Barrel; and

WHEREAS, Lennon's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for his future success at Belmont University; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Brooks's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for his parents, Robert and Laura Brooks, his school, and his community; and

WHEREAS, Lennon's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor the 2008 Portland High School Valedictorian, Lennon Brooks, on his impressive academic achievement and extend to him our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.